Antibiotic Stewardship Start-Up Package for Nursing Homes

The U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has mandated that by November 28, 2017, Medicare-certified nursing homes must have implemented an antibiotic stewardship program.

The University of North Carolina’s (UNC’s) Program on Aging, Disability, and Long-Term Care offers a low-cost, evidence-based **ANTIBIOTIC STEWARDSHIP START-UP PACKAGE** to help you meet this requirement.

We have extensive experience developing and implementing antibiotic stewardship programs, including trials in 42 nursing homes that:

- Reduced overall antibiotic prescribing between 10% and 28%
- Reduced hospitalizations between 8% and 11%
- Reduced *Clostridium difficile* infections between 11% and 21%
- Reduced *MRSA* infections by 8%

**OUR ANTIBIOTIC STEWARDSHIP START-UP PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

**Infection Tracking Excel Spreadsheets**
- Our 2 spreadsheets enable easy recording of data and calculation of key statistics needed for quality improvement and future reporting to CMS

**Training for Nursing Staff**
- 2 copies of a one-hour in-service in DVD or thumb drive format
- 25 pocket cards with key guidelines
- 6 posters to provide periodic reminders

**Training for Medical Staff**
- 10 copies of a CD-ROM of case discussions by university experts
- 15 pocket cards with key guidelines

**Instructional Materials for Residents and Families**
- 120 copies of our popular brochure entitled “Why Not Antibiotics”
- A short educational video

**Implementation Manual**
- A simple guide explaining how to incorporate our materials into a program that will improve outcomes

**Consultation by Email or Telephone**
- Up to 2 hours of consultation with our expert staff to help you implement your program

**Informational CD-ROM for Emergency Department Medical Staff**
- Multidisciplinary case discussions from UNC faculty on emergency department management of nursing home residents
- 10 copies for distribution to your local emergency department

**COST:** $900 plus tax and shipping

For further information or to order your ANTIBIOTIC STEWARDSHIP PACKAGE, visit our website [nursinghomeinfections.unc.edu](http://nursinghomeinfections.unc.edu)

SELECTED REFERENCES FROM UNC’S ANTIBIOTIC STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM:
- Clinical Situations in Long-Term Care for which Antibiotics are Often Prescribed but are Rarely Necessary. *Annals of Long-Term Care.* 20(4):23-29, 2012.